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In re Application of  
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Serial No.: 10/500,024 ✓  
Filed: June 25, 2004  
For: NOISE FILTER, OUTDOOR UNIT AND  
AIR CONDITIONER

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Japanese Utility Model Patent Publication No. 55-68328 appears to disclose an electric device having a pair of coils and a magnetic core. The International search report indicates that the claims and page 7, lines 5 to 14 are relevant to this application.

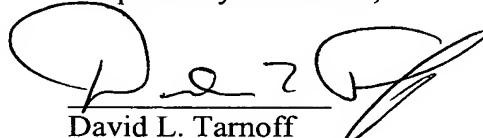
Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. 60-74412 appears to disclose an electrical device with a plurality of output circuits. The International search report indicates that the claims and page 3, upper right column, lines 17 to lower left column, line 8 are relevant to this application. An English abstract is also provided to better understand this publication.

Japanese Utility Model Patent Publication No. 61-162737 appears to disclose a freezer equipped with an inverter circuit. The International search report indicates that the claims and Figure 1 are relevant to this application.

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Prompt examination on the merits is respectfully requested.

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